

SEMINOLE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

# **2006** ANNUAL REPORT

A REVIEW OF OUR STATISTICS AND MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS



# SEMINOLE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

2006 PRIORITIES, BUDGET, ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND AWARDS

5 MINUTE RESPONSE TIME - TRAINED PERSONNEL - ADEQUATE RESOURCES - GO HOME SAFE



#### ADMINISTRATION

## **FIRE CHIEFS OFFICE - 5 PRIORITIES FOR 2006**

1) Establish a Finance Plan to meet future needs and growth \* Review of CIP and grant funding

#### 2) Fire Station Facility Overhauls

- Stations 42 and 43 major renovations
- Station 23 was temporarily relocated for renovations
- Station 27's front and rear driveways were replaced
- Plans finalized for the renovation of Stations 27 and 35
- Approvals received for construction of Station 13

#### 3) Training Advancements

- Grant dollars exceeding \$500,000 provided funding for training equipment and future classroom development
- Open house grant initiative demonstrated the importance of training and the complex issues faced by

#### 4) Health & Wellness Initiative

\* PEER trainers were certified and the first peer assessment process was conducted

### 5) National Ambulance Accreditation

\* CAAS is the recognized standard across the country for measuring our type of service. The process was started in 2006 and is anticipated for completion in 2007/08.

#### **FINANCE**

- **\*** Budget for FY 05/06 \$42,750,000 **\*** Grants Funding Total \$677,231 → Assistance to FF \$575,

- Heritage Grant (air paks)
- EMS Matching Grant
- (Mobile Data)
- Safe Kids

#### \$ 42,195 \$ 25,000

# PUBLIC INFORMATION AND EDUCATION

# \* 220,755 citizen contacts

- → Unit Displays/Standbys
- Santa Express
- **CPR Training**
- → Fire Safety Training/Smoke Alarm Program

# \* 7,918 Safe Kids contacts

- → Child Passenger Safety
- Juvenile Firesetter Intervention Program
- Bike Helmet/Rodeo Program
- **Drowning Prevention**

### \* Explorer Program

- → 30 Explorers, 46 Meetings/Activities 7 Advisors
- Communications
- → Established Media Information Line
- → Ask the Chief Program

# **OPERATIONS**

311 personnel staff 3 battalions and 15 fire stations with 14 ALS engines, 2 tower trucks, 14 rescue units, 1 Special Hazards & Operations Unit, 7 woods trucks and 2 water tenders

- 11,778 patient transports
- \* Standbys high school football games, Cranes Roost, Extreme Makeover, and 3 fireworks events
- Peak Load Unit R14 placed in service
- Responded to major alarms:
- Citizen Save from Apartment Fire
- High Angle Rescue off Interstate 4 Bridge
- **Election Day Tornado**
- Numerous Animals Saved from Fire
- Airplane Crashes

# **PLANNING & TECHNOLOGY**

# Planning and Technology

- \* Knox Key System 48 new gate key
- \* C.A.D. Replacement Research
- \* Facilitated Management Development with NFA for 40
- Coordinated installation of Opticom at 3 deficient intersections.
- **★** Developed Division Policies and Procedures (12)
- **★** 20 portable radios upgraded to digital capable

## **Emergency Medical Services**

- \* Administered flu vaccinations to 600+ Emergency Services workers
- Completed 2nd year of biannual requirements for State of Florida EMT and Paramedics requiring 12,144 recertification hours
- Provided Hepatitis "A" and "B" vaccine to 300+ firefiahters
- Investigated 5 alarms that exposed EMS personnel to airborne/bloodborne infectious disease (61 general)
- Facilitated scheduling of 311 annual physicals
- Coordinated implementation for equipment for 2006 State EMS Grant Award.
- \* 11,500 hours of in-service training for new equipment
- \* Assisted in Research & Development of new stroke and cardiac protocols
- **★** Upgraded "EMSystem" for hospital delays.
- Implemented 2006 Protocols and tested 311 personnel for State EMS compliance.
- Received "Outstanding" rating for 2 EMS Inspections from State of Florida.

# TRAINING AND LOGISTICS

# **EMS & Fire Training Firefighter Hiring Process**

- \* Processed and tested 90 fire department applicants to establish the eligibility list for October 2006
- \* Conducted 6 week Orientation Program for 27 new firefighters

## **Firefighter Training**

Facilitated or conducted 60,417 hours of firefighter training \* Participated in Nationwide Stand Down for Safety

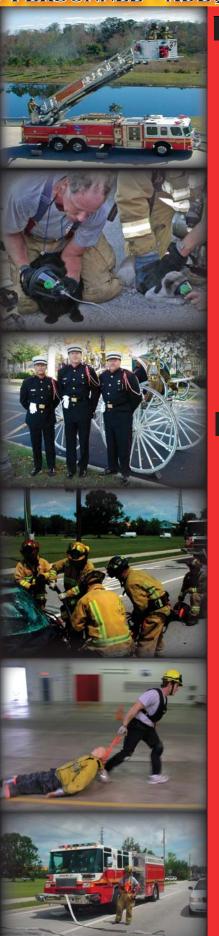
- \* FFRED-Bailout Training Firefighter Rescue and
- Escape Device training
- **★** Firefighter Abilities & Survival Course Attendees
- \* Training in Live Burns, Pump and Water Shuttle
- \* 40-hr. Pump and 28-hr. Wildfire S-215 class

# **EMS Training**

Facilitated or conducted 8,055 hours EMS Training in Child Maltreatment, CPAP, The Missing Protocol and PEPP Recertification

# S.C.F.D. Fleet/Equipment Testing

- \* During 2006 the following units were refurbished
- → Utility 35 stake body truck
- Prescribed burn trailer
- Received and outfitted replacements vehicles for three fire engines and five rescue units.
- Established standard inventories on Rescue units
- \* Coordinated hose testing for 45,000 ft. (2,500 ft. failed)
- \* Conducted 22 pump tests to meet NFPA and ISO



# TRAINING AND LOGISTICS (continued)

#### Supply

- **★** Moved EMS/Fire/Rescue Warehouse into 4,800 Square Ft Area at Training Center.
- Equipped 27 New Hires with Uniforms, Bunker Gear, Wildland Gear and Personal Protective Equipment.
- \* Certified 2 additional Airpack Repair Technicians for Scott SCBA tn-house repair center.(Total 3)
- \* Annual flow testing of 150+ Airpacks per NIOSH, OSHA, and NFPA standards completed.
- ★ Oversee maintenance and air quality testing on 3 breathing air cascade refill centers.
- \* Aggressive campaign to inspect all bunker gear per NFPA Standard (450 sets) 99% completed.
- \* Continuing on going program to issue 2nd set of Bunker Gear. 33% completed.
- \* All new gear purchased contains rapid rescue strap in coat.

# Coat ... \$922. SCBA ... \$3000 Pants .. \$623 Boots \$235 TOTAL = \$5,298

# **SPECIAL TEAMS**

#### **Honor Guard**

- Attended 6 National, State & Local Events
- Completed 150 training hours
- \* Tribute-LODD Lt. Richard Criswell, S.C.F.D. Retired

## **Bike Team**

- \* 16 bike team members
- 200 training hours/12 events

#### Special Hazards & Operations Team

- \* Facilitated or delivered 2,291 training hours, including: Confined Space, Dive Rescue, Rope Rescue, Trench Rescue, Vehicle and Machinery Rescue
- \* Hazardous Materials training completed 4,047 hours, including: Chemistry; Detection, Recognition, and Identification: Safety
- Secured UASI Grants for response
- Confined Space Technician class, hosted the Florida National Guard's 44th Civil Support Team with training exercises and continue to host outside agencies to train with us as we did with the National Fire Academies "Chemistry for Emergency Responders".
- Met FDLE Compliance for Homeland Security Community Assessment Module for HazMat
- **★** Inspected local schools, OSA & surrounding facilities PEER Fitness Team - Firefighter Health & Wellness
- \* 18 firefighters certified as ACE PEER Trainers Lieutenant assigned to 40 hour position to coordinate
- Assessments for 300 firefighters, 450 staff hours

# \* Facilitated Education Programs and publications

# **Air Operations**

- \* Air Rescue 3 decommissioned
- \* BCC approved public/private partnership vendor to continue aeromedical transport \* 96 Air Transports (3 air medical transports)
- **Urban Search & Rescue State Asset**

#### **★** Lead agency for USAR team consisting of the Seminole, Orange, and City of Orlando.

\* Funding established for PPE

# **PROMOTIONS & RETIREMENTS**

# 2006 Retirements

Stanley B Hiers. Firefighter/P Don Hammond, Firefighter Henry T Hoinacki, Firefighter Ron Holcomb, Lieutenant Robert D Longest, Firefighter Norman L. Miller, Division Chief Frank Perry, Lieutenant Billy Reese, Technician John Romish, Firefighter

#### **2006 Promotions**

**Division Chief - Steve Thiebauth** Battalion Chiefs - Jeff Blake, Rick Leita **Lieutenants -** Eric Baumgardner, Tom Johnson, John Jones **Kevin Welday** 

# **AWARDS**

# **ANNUAL AWARDS - 2006**

Community Service - Butch Loudermilk, Lieutenant Fire Chief's Special Recognition - Todd Gaddy, Lieutenant

Special Recognition Award - Kevin Beavers, Firefighter & Paula Ritchey, Lieutenant

Chief Officer of the Year - Stan Human, Battalion Chief

Lt. Frank J. Kucera Award - Jeff Blake, Lieutenant Paramedic of the Year - David Williams, Firefighter/P

# Jimmy "Pedro" Cannon Award - Mike Lloyd, Firefighter **COMMUNITY AWARDS**

Central Florida Hotel & Lodging Association -

Year - James VanWormer, Lieutenant

- Lifesaving Award Julie Knecht, Firefighter
- Lifesaving Award Dale Stevens, Firefighter/P **Apopka-Altamonte Springs VFW Post Firefighter of the**

**Greg Kirby, Sons of the American Revolution Fire Safety** Award

# **COUNTY EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH AWARDS** January - Todd Gaddy

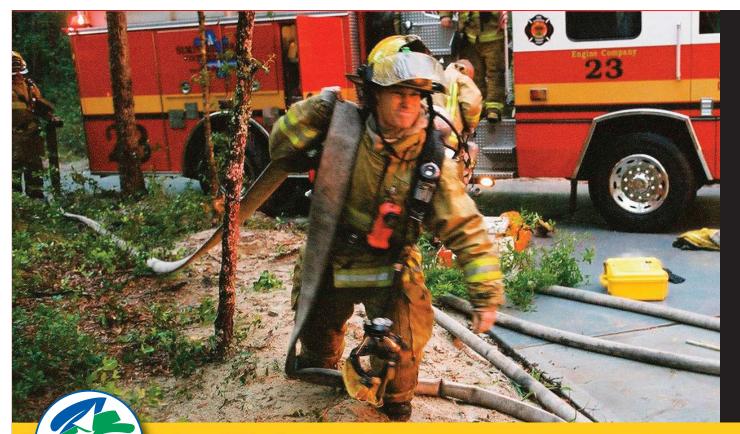
March - Keith Urbanski **October - Bryon Chaney** 

**February - Norm Miller** August - Greg Kirby **November - Ruth Byrne** 

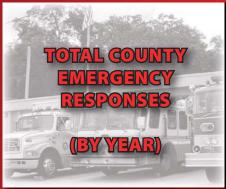
# A SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO LT. RICHARD CRISWELL

Lt. Richard Criswell, a founding member of the Seminole County Fire Department in the early 1970s, lost his life after battling illness on August 9, 2006. Lt. Criswell was a member of the Seminole County Extrication Team in the 1980s. Lt. Criswell dedicated 31 years to the Seminole County Fire Department from October 1974 to September 2005 and was honored with the Pioneer Award for his dedication to training fellow fire fighters. He will be truly missed.

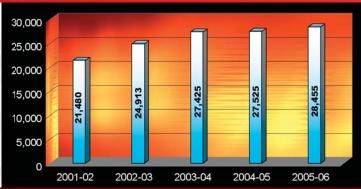




Our Mission: Serving the Community to Improve the Quality of Life



SEMINOLE COUNTY FLORIDA'S NATURAL CHOICE



2006 STATISTICS Station# Unit Responses	
11	2,588
12	5,063
13	4,054
14	1,395
16	2,013
22	2,194
23	2,705
27	3,079
34	2,775
35	2,512
36	1,974
41	1,078
42	709
43	779
65	2,048

